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1. EMBASSY LEGAL ADVISER TOVAR CONTACTED MAY 31 AND
STATED THAT ONCE CASES ENTER THE JUDICIAL PROCESS
INDIVIDUALS CAN NOT BE SEPARATED OUT AND TRIED
INDIVIDUALLY. THEREFORE THIS IS NOT AN AVENUE
FOR ACHIEVING SPEEDIER TRIALS. MICHELLE FRYER
SITUATION WAS SPECIAL CASE DISTINCT FROM OTHERS
SINCE JUDGE AGREED TO ACCEPT STAY OF PROCEEDINGS
IN HER CASE DUE LACK OF EVIDENCE. LEGAL ADVISERS DO
NOT SEE ANY OTHER CASE IN WHICH THIS ARGUMENT
COULD BE PURSUED.

2. EMBASSY IS IN THE PROCESS OF COMPILING A LIST OF
THE REDISTRIBUTION OF CASES INVOLVING AMERICANS AMONG
THE JUDGES AND WILL FORWARD ASAP.

3. AS REDISTRIBUTION PROCESS HAS NOT BEEN
COMPLETED, IT IS TOO EARLY TO DETERMINE IF THE
PACE OF HEARINGS WILL QUICKEN.
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